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Mr. John King Fairbank
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Dear John:

I have received a copy of your letter to Professor Breitrose at Stanford, and an appointment as "Consulting Professor" to the Department of Communications/Journalism. It would not surprise me if there were a connection.

Your generous endorsement leaves me quite a bit to live up to, but I assure you I'll do my best. I also am looking forward to working with the Stanford-China program. I don't know if I will be at Stanford beyond the 1980-81 academic year, that depending in part on how successful Virginia Kassel is in raising support for the proposed China television series.

I hope this finds you in good health and with a sensible schedule. Please give my warmest regards to Wilma. I hope I will have the occasion to see you soon. And, my deepest appreciation for your extraordinary letter in my behalf. It comes close to leaving me being the one thing that is unforgiveable in my field -- speechless.

With the warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

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